Create the Best Dev Environment for Your Teams
We’ll help you migrate from TFS to VSTS.

Realize the Advantages of Cloud Collaboration, with ObjectSharp’s VSTS Migration Framework

Today there are so many advantages for companies currently using Microsoft Team Foundation Server (TFS), to move to Visual Studio Team Services (VSTS) – Microsoft’s Cloud Collaboration Environment for Development Teams. Moving to VSTS will streamline your development process, free up IT resources and budget, and ensure your teams always have access to the latest capabilities. Regardless of the version of TFS your teams are using, ObjectSharp’s team of DevOps experts can help you navigate setup and security decisions, safely migrate your repositories to VSTS, configure your new environment and show your teams how to get the most out of it.

From TFS to VSTS in 3 easy steps!

Smart Preparation to Accelerate Migration

Before our engagement begins, we provide you with a detailed pre-engagement questionnaire that provides our team with a complete background on your current environment and highlights any potential obstacles which might delay our implementation of your VSTS environment. We also send you pre-recorded VSTS training videos which your teams can use to familiarize themselves with VSTS. We then hold a half-day kickoff meeting to validate the background information, assign key responsibilities and align schedules and deliverables.

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The VSTS Advantage

- **No More Upgrades. Ever.**
  
  Your migration to VSTS will be the last TFS upgrade your team has to do. Upgrades take resources, hardware, time and budget that could be used more effectively for projects that deliver value for your organization.

- **Access to Features your Development Teams Need, Right Away.**
  
  Microsoft releases new features much sooner on VSTS versus TFS. This allows your team to make use of these developments earlier, and at a more incremental pace to reduce disruptions due a learning curve.

- **Securely Available. Anywhere. Anytime.**
  
  VSTS is always available with an SLA guarantee of 99.9% availability, including in the Canadian Azure Datacenter. Leverage Azure Active Directory for easy user management. Enable multi-factor authentication for additional security. Backups, high availability and disaster recovery are a thing of the past, provided automatically as part of the service.

- **No Hardware and Low Cost Subscription.**
  
  VSTS is a cloud service provided for free to all users with Visual Studio Subscriptions. For most organizations VSTS annual costs are significantly less than maintaining an on premises server. You can also explore leveraging build and load testing services through VSTS for added agility and cost savings.

### VSTS Environment Configuration

During the second phase of our migration Framework, we’ll schedule a workshop with your key VSTS stakeholders to agree on configuration decisions. This discussion includes development process, team structure, product organization, code branching strategy, development tool usage, reporting requirements and continuous delivery. This session is interactive – we ask questions and show examples – and drives decisions for team configuration and team usage.

### TFS to VSTS Migration

Our DevOps team uses a proven and safe approach to migrate your existing repository of code and work items to its new VSTS location. We first set up or verify your Azure Active Directory to allow you to use a common identity to access both cloud and on-premise resources. We then create a test sandbox, followed by a test migration, which allows your team to review the results in test. Once approved, we complete the final migration to production, at a time that minimizes any inconvenience to your teams. Once we’ve migrated your repository, VSTS is ready for use by all your teams.

### Pulling it All Together with 5 Days of Embedded Support

Once VSTS is set up, we will work with your team for 5 days to introduce and illustrate effective usage of VSTS, based on your organization and priorities, and based on our experience of successfully implementing Agile on VSTS for hundreds of companies. Topics include: setting up team boards, effective collaboration and usage by different roles (Developers, BA’s, QA’s), automated build and delivery pipelines, and reporting dashboards for product traceability and project visibility.

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